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SUPERSONICS

[redacted] INFORMED EMBOFF MAY 17 THAT FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAD REACHED AGREEMENT WITH GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL TO SUPPLY LATTER 30 MIRAGE V FIGHTER AIRCRAFT; AGREEMENT GIVES ISRAEL OPTION BUY 20 ADDITIONAL MIRAGE V'S (FOR TOTAL OF 50). QUAIOFF DID NOT HAVE TERMS AND TIMING INFORMATION. HE SAID

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DEAL WAS MOST SECRET AND ISRAELIS WOULD NOT RPT NOT MAKE IT PUBLIC. QUAIOFF ADDED "THIS INFORMATION IS SO SENSITIVE THAT IF IT LEAKS QUAI-EMBASSY EXCHANGES THESE DELICATE ISSUES WILL BE ENDED FORTHWITH".

EMBOFF EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR INFORMATION, PROMISED IT WOULD BE CLOSELY HELD, AND OBSERVED THAT IN PAST LEAKS ON SENSITIVE ISSUES NOT CONFINED TO USG.

COMMENT: WHILE QUAIOFF PROFESSED UNCERTAINTY, MIRAGE-V BELIEVED IDENTICAL MIRAGE III-M5 (EMBTEL 7203).
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